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TPC monthly newsletter—APRIL 2023

Hello TPC Family!

As we approach Easter and the anticipation of resurrection, I am mindful of some words that Jesus gave us in the Gospel of John; "For this is the will of my



Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." -John 6:40. The will of God our Father is that we would look upon Jesus His only Son and receive Him as the Lord of our lives. Doing so gives us the greatest gift of all, eternal life, and the hope of the resurrection. The apostle Paul said in his letter to the Thessalonians; "But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep." -I Thessalonians 4:13-14. So, resurrection is a great work of God and a hope for those in Christ. I know we all understand just how short, precious, and fragile life is. At best we are like Scripture says, "grass and flowers." But God's desire for us is that we would be more. God's desire for us is that we would be eternal with Him. The way this happens is through Jesus. The kingdom of God has come with Jesus. His death and resurrection have begun the new way of things. We are still in a time of waiting for His return. But we wait with a sign and a promise. The tomb is empty, and Christ is coming soon!

I pray blessings upon you during this season of Easter, and I look forward to being the church with you!

Blessings and Peace!

Pastor Roger Soli Deo gloria









EASTER OFFERING TO BENEFIT ZOZU PROJECT

This year's Easter Offering will be collected for Zozu Project, an organization seeking to "break the cycle of extreme poverty by partnering with local African leaders to provide hope, education, and economic opportunity." Contributions can be made by cash or check made payable to **TPC** (please indicate "Easter" or "ZOZU" on memo line) or online at **templetonpres.org/giving** (Easter/ZOZU fund). For more information about this ministry, visit zozuproject.org.



TPC Deacons Assist Our Community

Your generous contributions to the February Deacons Quarterly Offering made it possible for TPC to give a benevolence to a church member for a storm-related expense, continue giving food or gas vouchers good at Templeton Market and Deli to needy people who come by our office, and contribute \$500.00 to the SLO Food Bank as an Easter gift to address food needs in our area.

Our Christian outreach also extends internationally at times, such as our gift last year to World Renew Disaster Relief to help refugees from the Russian war upon the people of Ukraine. Here is a part of World Renew's thank you letter to TPC from Carol Bremer-Bennett, World Renew Co-Director: "Through your gift you share Christ's hope and remind those who have endured hardship and loss that they are not forgotten. Gifts like yours, to World Renew, help extend hope to conflict-affected families through food, shelter, medicine, and more. One refugee family receiving food cried, 'Our God is so gracious.' For this family and for those your gift touches, hope is not lost! Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine that the conflict will end soon, and that families can return to their homes safely."

Blessings to all of you in the name of Jesus, Frank Bush, Deacon Moderator



Prepare your heart for Easter by reflecting on Good Friday

JOURNEY TO THE CROSS TPC Sanctuary 12noon—6pm

Journey to the Cross is a self-guided, contemplative event. It gives individuals the opportunity to reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross by experiencing a series of stations which depict events leading up to the crucifixion. As you move at your own pace through these stations, you will Read, Reflect, and Act on various Holy Week moments.

Many thanks to Leah Pavel, Co-Pastor of Vineyard Church of Holly Springs, NC, for so graciously sharing this program with us.

JULY 20th 1969 APOLLO 11 LANDS ON THE MOON



Come have lunch with **Voyagers**And hear *THE REST OF THE STORY*

Video clips & news articles reveal a little known fact Presented by Floy, Dean & Donna Woodruff

<u>Lunch will be provided</u> in Butler Hall **Wednesday, April 19**th **at Noon** \$10.00 per person

Please RSVP by Friday, April 14th:
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TPC ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS: Application Period NOW OPEN!

Session and covenant partners in our congregation have helped create a supportive ministry for graduating high school, community college and graduate students – TPC Academic Scholarships – to encourage and support students attending four-year accredited colleges/universities or graduate schools, whose life accomplishments have demonstrated their commitment to Jesus Christ as reflected in the stated mission of our church (below).

If you would like to contribute to the TPC Academic Scholarship Fund, please designate "Academic Scholarship" on the memo line of your check. It will be very gratefully received!

We want to tangibly show our students our support, letting them know we have their back as they embark on this new, sometimes daunting, college adventure. TPC Academic Scholarships will be awarded based upon student commitment to the TPC Mission Statement; merit and/or financial need will also be considered. Applicants must be TPC covenant partners, children of covenant partners, students active in TPC's youth group, or students active in TPC's ministries. The number and amount of awards vary. Renewal applications will be considered. Scholarship checks will be distributed upon proof of college/university registration.

Application process:

- 1. Complete the TPC Academic Scholarship Application found at templetonpres.org/ministries/tpc-youth.
- 2. To the application, attach the following:

Essay (1 typed page): demonstrate how you have lived, and will live, a life consistent with the TPC Mission Statement.

Two letters of recommendation: one that addresses academic accomplishments and one that addresses character Transcript: an unofficial copy of your transcript

Copy (if available) of your FAFSA confirmation page indicating your Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

3. Email completed application and attachments to admin@fpctempleton.org.

April 30, 2023 is the deadline for receipt of application submissions by the church office.

TPC MISSION STATEMENT: <u>Introduce</u> people to Jesus, <u>Include</u> them in His church, <u>Imitate</u> His life, <u>Ignite</u> service in His name, <u>Inspire</u> glory for God.

APRIL 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	5 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	6	7	8
9 EASTER SERVICES 9 & 11	10	11 NO YOUTH GRO SPRING		13	14	15
16	17	18 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	19 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	20	21	22
23	24	25 MS YOUTH 7-8:30PM	26 HS YOUTH 7-8:45PM	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6



Middle School Tuesdays 7-8:30PM

High School Wednesdays 7-8:45PM



Men's Ministry treated TPC's high school youth group to a career night presentation (and pizza!) on March 15. Many thanks to all who participated!





ART SHOW THANK YOU

Hi Church,

Thank you so much for attending the Art Show of my husband Ron's paintings. Forty paintings found new homes and your generous donations raised 4,495.00 for the new window shade. It was my pleasure to share Ron's work with you all and it was especially rewarding to see so many of you enjoying the food and visiting with one another while sharing your thoughts on the pieces. I hope that you will enjoy your painting(s) for years to come and remember the wonderful day of fellowship as well.

Thanks again, Richann